

Attorney Docket No. 394-137

4/d3/02 J. Walder THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Craig Novak et al.

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For: Decorative Gift Bag Balloon Holder

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AMENDMENT

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington D.C. 20231

In response to the Office action mailed April 4, 2002, it is requested that the application identified above be amended as follows:

In the Specification:

Page 6, line 17, change "Fig." to - Fig. 3 -- .

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

--1.(Amended) A balloon holder [simulating a gift bag], comprising a decorative bag, a core having sufficient weight to hold at least one buoyant balloon in place and positioned within said decorative bag, and decorative material secured to said core in a position to